

**REMARKS:**

Claims 1-70 were originally presented in the present application. In the Office Action of January 6, 2005 the Examiner restricted the claims into the following two groups:

Group 1, claims 1-28 and 53-70, drawn to a method of operating a liquefied natural gas facility using a start-up mode and a normal mode; and

Group 2, claims 29-52, drawn to a method of starting a liquefied natural gas facility by introducing streams with different separation points into a heavies removal column.

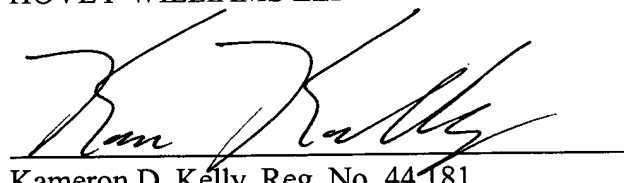
Applicant hereby elects group 1 (claims 1-28 and 53-70) for further prosecution.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 19-0522.

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